or other members of the Maharaja's family reside or live now and then. No. 2 is the garden attached to the residence of the Diwan. Nos. 3 and 6 are gardens attached to Guest Houses for distinguished guests. No. 7 needs no description.

All the Gardens contain the ordinary ornamental and flowering plants in pots or in beds and a number of fruit-trees also.

There are no gardens under any other management.

Recruitment of Munsiffs.

Dr. A. G. MENON (*Tattamangalam*).

19. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether there is any age limit for the recruitment of Munsiffs direct from the bar?

(b) whether the Government has granted any exemption from that rule in any particular case?

(c) whether it is usual to appoint members of the bar direct as District Munsiffs and how many such appointments have been made during the last twelve years?

Mr. A. SANKARA MENON (*Law member*).

(a) There is no other age limit than what is laid down in S. O. No. 8 and article 28 of the C. S. R.

(b) Yes.

(c) At times. Two such appointments have been made during the last twelve years.

Appointment of Mr. V. K. Kuttan Menon as Munsiff.

Mr. M. K. RAMAN (*Ezhuva South*).

20. Will the Government be pleased to answer the following :—

(a) What were the special considerations for appointing Mr. V. K. Kuttan Menon as Munsiff at Ernakulam?

(b) Why were the claims of several graduates-in-law already in service overlooked?

(c) Was Mr. Kuttan Menon an applicant for the Official Receiver's post in the District Court of Anjikaimal?

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